Chapter Review

Managing Change: Key Concepts

Objectives...

1 describe the main theoretical foundations of change management

2 explain the planned and the emergent approach to change

3 discuss the common change management models

4 Understand resistance to change

Key Terms continuous

Change model

an abstract representation describing the content or process of changes

Change

organizational changes that tend to be ongoing, evolving, and

Episodic Change

organizational changes that tend to be infrequent, discontinuous, and

intentional

Force-field

analysis Organizational a process of identifying and analysing the driving and restraining forces associated with a change

change

the alteration of organizational components (such as the mission, strategy, goals, structure, processes, systems, technology and people)

Readiness for

to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the organization

a predisposition to welcome and embrace change.

change

the desire not to pursue change

Resistance to change

27. Organizational change concerns the alteration of organizational components (such as the mission, strategy, goals, structure, processes, systems, technology and people) to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the organization. Change may take place in any part and at any level of the organization. When we think of organisational change, we may think of significant changes aimed at making the organisation more effective or smaller (efficiency based) changes such as departmental reorganisations, the implementation of new technologies and systems. The primary needs for change derive from the need for alignment between the organizations' internal and external environments. Diagnosis (Through models such as the McKinsey 7- S model, the Nadler and Tushman congruence framework and the Burke-Litwin model) is used to motivate and determine what to change. Having established the need for change, change initiators then consider whether the organisation is in fact ready for change. Lewin concluded that the change process needs to follow a three-step procedure: unfreezing, moving and refreezing. Many change agents use force-field analysis as an analytical tool to understand the dynamics of change.